

MARKETS and FINANCE

TORONTO MARKETS

FARMERS' MARKET.

The street market was fairly active to-day. Oats sold at 38 to 50c, and fall wheat at 96c. About 400 loads of hay sold at from \$13 to \$15.50 per ton. Dressed hogs are firm at \$8.75 to \$9 for heavy, and at \$9.15 to \$9.50 for light. Wheat, fall, bush, 0.95 to 0.96. Do, goose, bush, 0.91 to 0.92. Oats, bush, 0.44 to 0.45. Rye, bush, 0.58 to 0.59. Peas, bush, 0.69 to 0.70. Hay, per ton, 12.50 to 13.50. Do, No. 2, 9.00 to 11.00. Dressed, per ton, 11.00 to 13.00. Straw, per ton, 8.75 to 9.00. Butter, dairy, 0.25 to 0.26. Do, creamery, 0.29 to 0.31. Eggs, new laid, 0.40 to 0.50. Do, fresh, 0.28 to 0.30. Chickens, dressed, lb., 0.13 to 0.16. Geese, lb., 0.11 to 0.12. Turkeys, lb., 0.18 to 0.21. Cabbage, per dozen, 0.40 to 0.75. Celery, per dozen, 0.50 to 0.75. Potatoes, per bag, 8.00 to 10.00. Onions, bag, 2.50 to 4.00. Apples, barrel, 6.00 to 7.00. Beef, hindquarters, 6.00 to 7.00. Do, forequarters, 5.50 to 6.50. Do, choice, carcass, 8.00 to 8.50. Do, medium, carcass, 5.50 to 7.00. Mutton, per cwt., 7.00 to 9.00. Veal, prime, per cwt., 8.50 to 11.00. Lamb, per cwt., 10.00 to 11.00.

LIVE STOCK.

Receipts of live stock at the City Market, as reported by the railways for Wednesday and Thursday, were 147 car loads consisting of 2,149 calves and hogs, 1,777 sheep and lambs, 115 calves and eight horses.

The quality of fat cattle offered was much the same as on Tuesday, that is, too many light heifers and steers that were not finished, but just nicely warmed up, weighing from 550 to 800 lbs. each, and too few of the best quality of butchers', as well as exporters'.

Exporters—Very few steers, of which there were very few on sale, and scarcely any of heavy weights, sold at \$5 to \$5.50, and one sale was reported at \$5.50. Prime quality steers were in demand, and more of them would have found ready sale.

Butchers—Prime picked cattle, steers and heifers, sold at \$4.80 to \$5 per cwt., but they were scarce, probably not more than a carload out of the 2,149 cattle on sale; loads of good, \$4.40 to \$4.65; medium, \$3.75 to \$4.25; culls, \$3.50 to \$4.00; cows, \$2.50 to \$4.25; canners, \$1.75 to \$2.25.

Feeders and Stockers—Below are quotations: Best feeders, 900 to 1,000 lbs. each, at \$3.80 to \$4.25; best stockers 700 to 900 lbs. each, at \$3.40 to \$3.80; medium stockers, 600 to 700 lbs. each, at \$3 to \$3.50. Prices seem to be higher at many points in Ontario, as many of the drovers reported having paid \$6.25 to the farmers, and having received \$6.35 to \$6.40 f.o.b. cars at country points.

Milkers and Springers—Prices were about steady at \$30 to \$55 each, with four or five at \$60.

Veal Calves—About 100 calves found ready sale, as there is a good demand for them at firm prices. Prices ranged from \$3 to \$7 per cwt., with a prime new milked vealer worth a little more.

Sheep and Lambs—There was a moderate delivery of sheep and lambs for the two days, 1,777 all told. Sheep sold at \$4 to \$4.50 for ewes, and \$3 to \$3.50 for rams, lambs, \$5.50 to \$6 for the bulk of offerings, and a little more was paid for a few selected ewes and wethers.

Hogs—Mr. Harris reported selected fat and watered at \$6.50 at the market, and \$6.25 for lights. Prices seem to be higher at many points in Ontario, as many of the drovers reported having paid \$6.25 to the farmers, and having received \$6.35 to \$6.40 f.o.b. cars at country points.

ST. LAWRENCE SUGAR MARKET. Toronto sugars are quoted as follows: Granulated, \$4.50 per cwt., in barrels, and No. 1 golden, \$4.10 per cwt., in barrels. These prices are for delivery here. Car lots, 5c less.

OTHER MARKETS.

LONDON WOOL SALES. London—A large and varied selection of 13,235 bales was offered at the wool auction sales to-day. Competition was spirited at firm prices. New South Wales scoured merinos sold at 2s 7 1/2d. Crossbreds were in strong demand by the home trade and Americans, the latter taking suitable parcels freely. Fine merinos, greasy, were often withdrawn, owing to lack of demand from Americans.

WINNIPEG WHEAT MARKETS. Wheat—January 1909 1-4 bid, \$1.03 asked, May, \$1.02 bid. NEW YORK SUGAR MARKET. Sugar—Raw, steady; fair refining, 3-17c; centrifugal, 9-60c; molasses sugar, 2-92c; refined, steady.

BRITISH CATTLE MARKETS. London—London cables for cattle are steady at 13c to 13 3/4c per lb. dressed weight; refrigerator beef is quoted at 10 1/8c to 10 1/4c per lb.

COBALT MINING STOCKS

There was little of interest in the mining market yesterday. There was some movement in Nova Scotia, which sold up to 65, and Temiskaming and Rochester were also in demand. Greville & Co. say: McKinnley-Darragh sold down to 35c, and looks very cheap, seeing that they are producing such wonderful ore and paying 5 per cent. per quarter. Nipissing is working up slowly, and likely to go higher. La Rose, too, is strengthening and is one of the best buys in our opinion. Nova Scotia should be an excellent buy now.

THE STANDARD EXCHANGE

Thursday Morning Sales. Beaver Consolidated—260 at 26, 100 at 26 1/2, 800 at 26. Cobalt Central—500 at 22, 1000 at 22 1/2.

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NEW YORK STOCKS

Noon letter reported by A. E. Carpenter, 102 King street east: The early market developed further strength in a number of stocks, and fresh interests in industrials. Sugar advanced sharply with no special news. Reports of Steel were strong. Cotton Oil, which has been quietly absorbed for some time, showed a good advance. It is said that a merger with fertilizer may materialize. This has worked well with the Ver. Chemical and Southern Cotton Oil combination, the fertilizer being exchanged for cotton seed, or from the former, and the cotton seed made into oil. It is announced that the new mine smelters have bought the largest smelter in Mexico outside the American smelting plant. Silver remained about 31c. Copper is in better financial shape than ever before, having restored a large part of the surplus used to pay dividends, and greatly reduced operations, cost to plant where copper is produced cheaper than for years past. The trade feeling is that copper metal will advance 10c to 20c before it declines one cent per pound. With the quarter issue a little heavier, increase in United Steel orders in steel, the bulls in steel would be disappointed if this is not shown in the statement next Tuesday, as well as in the earnings. Both these things are rather unlikely, and the reverse may be the case. It is now thought abroad that the English bank rate will decline to 2 per cent. in the early spring, and that our rate will be equally low. Money is very easy here with plenty at 1 1/2.

Reported by A. E. Carpenter & Co., 102 King street east.

RAILROADS.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Atchafalaya	96.5	97.7	96.2	96.2
St. Paul	109	109	109	109
Brooklyn	70.4	70.6	70	70
Balt. & Ohio	112.1	112.3	112	112
Can. Pacific	174.6	175.2	174.6	174.6
Cres. & Ohio	62.2	62.2	60.7	61.4
Col. Southern	66	66.7	66	66
Gen. S. & O.	31.5	32.4	31.2	31.2
Erie	48.6	48.6	46.4	46.4
Erie First	48.6	48.6	46.4	46.4
Gt. West. pref.	144.3	144.6	144	144
Gt. West.	144.3	144.6	144	144
Ills. Central	146	146.5	145.7	145.7
Louisville & N.	123.6	124	123.4	123.4
M. & T.	44.7	44.7	43.7	44
N. Y. C. & H. R.	141.1	141.2	140.2	141.2
N. Y. C. & H. R.	141.1	141.2	140.2	141.2
Norfolk & W.	91.5	91.5	90.4	90.4
Penna.	133.6	133.6	133.1	133.1
Reading	138	138.6	137.4	137.4
Rock Island	24.7	25.2	24.6	24.6
Sou. Pacific	121.2	121.4	120.3	120.4
Southern Ry.	26.1	26.2	25.6	25.6
St. Paul	149.6	149.6	149.1	149.1
Texas	35.2	35.7	35.2	35.2
Third Ave.	40.5	40.7	40.3	40.3
Twin City	100.3	100.3	100.3	100.3
Union Pac.	181	181.9	179.7	179.7
Washab	185	185.5	184.4	184.4

INDUSTRIALS.

Amal. Copper	79.1	79.4	78.2	78.3
Anaconda Cop.	47.2	47.2	47	47
Am. Car. Fdy.	48.7	50.1	48.4	49.2
Am. Loco.	57	57.7	57	57.2
Am. Smelter	87	87.2	86.1	86.1
Col. Fuel	42.5	42.7	41.5	41.5
Distillers	39.7	40.7	38.6	39.3
C. Gas	79	79.1	78.2	78.2
Lead	79	81.4	78.7	80.3
Utah Cop.	44.5	44.5	44	44
Westinghouse	84.4	84.4	83.2	83.2
West. Union	70	70	68.4	68.4
Rep. Steel	23.3	23.6	23.3	23.4
Sugar	130	130	130	130.3
Shaws	79	79	79	79
U. S. Steel	54.7	55.1	54	54
U. S. Steel pref.	114.1	115.1	114.1	114.1
Vir. Chem.	46.2	46.4	46	46
Am. Cot. Oil	49.4	49.4	48.3	48.3

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Correspondents of ENNIS & O'DONNELL, Members Canadian Stock Exchange, New York.

Toronto Cobalt Stocks, reported by A. E. Carpenter, 102 King street east:

	Asked.	Bid.
City of Cobalt	2.56	2.52
Chambers Ferland	80	79
Cobalt Central	53	52 1/2
Buffalo	3.50	3.12
Cobalt Lake	17 1/2	16 1/2
Coniagias	6.60	6.50
Crown Reserve	2.65	2.60
Foster	2	1.99 1/2
Green Machine	21	19 1/2
Hudson Bay	3.00	2.85
Kerr Lake	8.25	8.06 1/2
Little Nipissing	40	39 1/2
McKin. Dar. Sav.	99	98
Nipissing	10.35	10.30
Nova Scotia	65 1/2	65 1/2
Peterson Lake	79	79
Silver Leaf	13 1/2	13 1/2
Silver Bar	70	68 1/2
Silver Queen	99	95
Temiskaming	1.66	1.65
Tretheway	1.37	1.55
Watts	50	45
La Rose	6.82	6.60
Amalgamated	12 1/2	11
Beaver	28 1/2	26 1/2
Gifford	22 1/2	21 1/2
Hickart	21	21
Nancy Helen	75	71
Orise	46	42
Rochester	24 1/2	23 1/2

Liverpool—Close—Wheat, 1/2 lower; corn, 1/2 higher.

Northwest cars—Minneapolis, 164-132; Duluth, 31-14-65.

Toronto Electric—Shares. Prices.

Toronto Electric	25	132 1/2
Lakewood	25	132
Toronto Railway	25	103 1/2
Dun. Coal	25	99 1/2
Mackay common	25	100
Do. preferred	25	100
C. P. R.	25	173 1/2
La Rose	100	6 50

Banks have gained \$3,842,000 from the treasury since Friday.

Dominion Bank	4	245
Hamilton	15	245 1/2
Commerce	11	205
Bank of Montreal	20	283
Traders	15	138 1/2
N. S. Steel	20	58 1/2
Rio bonds	\$6000	80 1/2
Dominion Steel	25	79 1/2
Bonds	2000	79 1/2
Can. Gas	10	205

CENTRAL Y.

Monthly Meeting at the Home of Mrs. T. H. Pratt.

The first regular monthly meeting of the Central "Y's" for 1909 was held at the home of the President, Mrs. Pratt. The reports were most encouraging. The names of three new members were handed in. Weekly visits to the children's ward in the City Hospital were made, and the members of the Y. were given to the little folks. The "Y" cot in the Jubilee wing requires re-furnishing. The linen, etc., costs \$50. This year the "Y's" will donate the necessary linen and other requisites. The scientific temperance report of the competitive examination in the public schools for the four silver medals donated by this Union, two for girls and two for boys, in senior third grade, was a tribute to the good work done in the Public Schools along the line of temperance and hygiene, the winners being Mabel Campbell, Norma Cruikshank, B. Turbin and A. U. Jenkins.

In the Boys' Home Band of Hope special mention of their examination must be made. Gordon Brice obtained 82 per cent, and Arthur Hatch, 81.2 per cent. A glance at their examination paper may be of interest. The questions include: How is alcohol produced and how made from barley? How much alcohol in cider, beer and wine? Is alcohol food in nature? Mention three ways in which alcohol affects the lungs. Why should we not use alcoholic liquors? How does tobacco affect the stomach? How does alcohol affect the brain? Why are cigarettes harmful? What effects have alcohol and tobacco on the framework, and what is often noted in children of intemperate parents? Describe the action of alcohol and tobacco on the muscular sense.

What is a tonic? Name some effects of alcohol on the skin. How does alcohol affect the digestion? On account of the high percentage obtained by the boys, and the general good work done in the Y. club, in addition to the usual eight prize books, were presented by Central "Y's" to this Band of Hope.

The cost of the medals was \$15.50. On the first Tuesday in March the Central "Y's" will entertain the Central Y. C. T. U. at Rose Arden, the home of Mrs. T. H. Pratt.

ST. GILES' MEN.

Strong Club Formed in New East End Church.

Between forty and fifty of Hamilton's most influential east end citizens attended the organization of a men's club at St. Giles' Sunday School last evening. H. S. Lees was in the chair, and made some interesting suggestions. Discussion was invited, and many good ideas were given. It was decided to call the new club The Guild of St. Giles, and it will be run on a scale that is sure to make a success of it. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, H. S. Lees; First Vice-President, E. J. Wilson; Second Vice-President, J. B. Turner; Secretary, William McMillan; Assistant Secretary, W. D. McMillan; Treasurer, B. O. Hooper.

The first regular meeting of the club will be held next Friday evening.

WARK-FLIGHT.

Popular East End Couple Married Yesterday Afternoon.

A quiet but pretty wedding took place yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. James Flight, 130 Emerald street north, when her eldest daughter, Isabella Goss Flight, was united by Rev. John Young, of St. John Presbyterian Church, to David S. Wark, of this city, famous as a second baseman in the old City League. The young couple were unmarried, and the moderate relatives were present. Mr. and Mrs. Wark will take up their residence on Alanson street, and their many friends wish them a long and happy married life.

MADE RECTOR.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Rev. Thomas J. Shahan, of Hartford, Conn., it is stated in well informed circles, has been selected to succeed Bishop John O'Donnell as rector of the Catholic University of America. Dr. Shahan holds the chair of church history in the university, and is one of the editors of the Catholic Encyclopedia. He is considered one of the most scholarly men in the American church.

SORT DIAMONDS WITH A SIEVE.

Primitive Method of Hunting for the Gems in Southwest Africa.

Probably no diamonds in the world are obtained so cheaply as those from the recently discovered fields near Luderitz Bay, in German Southwest Africa. The process of recovering the stones is so simple as to be almost ludicrous. The Orambo boys, with blue goggles on, kneel down on the sand searching for the diamonds. They are furnished with spades, and with these they proceed to fill an ordinary sieve with a fairly fine mesh. A man will then take the sieve, give it a shake and plunge it into a galvanised iron bath of sea water, which has the effect of loosening the contents, while at the same time owing to the specific gravity of the diamonds the latter fall to the bottom.

The man then picks up the sieve and turns it over onto an ordinary deal table and the diamonds are then of course on the top. He will then take an ordinary table knife, pick up the diamonds with this and carefully place them in a pickle bottle, which stands by his side.

From the primitive simplicity of this method of working it will be seen that the diamonds do not give much trouble to find. The cost of getting them averages, in fact, from 1s to 1s 6d per carat—Cape Times.

OBITUARY.

Former Ancaster Man Passes Away—Other Deaths.

The death of Mr. William Renton occurred last night at his home, 17 Hess street north. Deceased was born in Berkshire, England, and came to this country when thirty years of age. He resided in Hamilton for a short time, and then moved to Carleton place, where he went into the farming business. Two years ago he took up his residence near Ancaster, and about two months ago came to this city to visit his wife, Mrs. Renton, a staunch Liberal. Mr. Renton was assessor for the Township of Ancaster for eight years. He is survived by a widow, two daughters, Misses Minnie and Christian Renton, and two sons, Arthur, Carleton, and Allan, of Saskatoon. The funeral will take place on Sunday at 2.30 p. m. from his late residence to St. Paul's Cemetery, Carleton place.

The many friends of Mr. Peter Cullen will regret to hear of his death, which occurred last night at his home, 34 Picton street west. Deceased was a carpenter by trade, and was 70 years of age. He leaves a widow, two daughters, Borden, of New York, and Mrs. P. Cullen, city, and one son, Edward, at home. The funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

Much sympathy will be extended to James W. and Mrs. Munroe, 47 Crooks street, on the loss of their infant daughter, Annie Irene, who passed away early this morning, aged seven months. The funeral will take place on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

After an illness of three weeks, William Truman Blough passed away at his home, 32 Stuart street east. Deceased was born in Cookstown 21 years ago, but had lived in this city many years. He was employed at the Hamilton Bridge Works. He leaves to mourn his loss his father, William Blough, three sisters, Rena, Ada and Lola, and three brothers, Isaac, Percy and Merchant, all at home. The funeral will take place on Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from his father's residence, 32 Stuart street east.

Alexander Ritchie, of Quinn, Tilbury East, passed away yesterday, after an illness of five months. Deceased was in his 49th year, and leaves a widow and two daughters, George Ritchie, of this city, is a brother. The funeral will take place on Saturday at 1 o'clock from his late residence.

The death of Mr. Edward J. Callaghan took place yesterday at his residence, 48 Rebecca street. Deceased belonged to the Glassblowers' Union, although the past few years he has conducted a cab livery at the above address. He was also connected with the Knights of Columbus and the Macabees. Mr. Callaghan leaves a wife and three children to mourn his loss. The funeral leaves his late residence at 8.30 Saturday morning for the St. Mary's Cathedral, thence to Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

FAIR SOCIETY.

South Wentworth Men Hold Their Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the South Wentworth Agricultural Society was held yesterday afternoon at the Court House Hotel. After the reading of the minutes of the last meeting, the principal item of discussion was the proposal to move the fair from the mountain to the half-mile track on Barton street east. Satisfice has forfeited its right to hold a fair within twenty miles of another fair, by allowing the Government grant to lapse.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, R. H. Lewis; First Vice-President, W. Kennedy; Second Vice-President, Isaac Geddes; Directors, Jos. Harrington, Ancaster; C. M. Hildreth, Salford; Ed. J. Mahony, Tapscott; P. Tregunna, Barton and Crown Point; E. J. Whitworth, Barton; and A. Brooks, J. H. Dickenson, Hall's Corners and Glanville; M. Neil, G. Nichol and H. Bush, city.

Honorary Directors, D. Reed, M. P. P. H. Bryant, J. Dickenson, W. O. Sealey, J. W. Gage, W. Martin, W. H. Bridgman, C. E. Rydal, A. Inch, J. H. Ridge, J. Chough, T. Nichol, W. Butler, W. G. Bailey, R. B. Gage, John Gage, M. Long, S. Waite, R. Dewar.

Auditors, J. H. McNeill and Ed. Kenrick. The usual votes of thanks were passed.

RAISED \$121.97.

Miss Jeanette Lewis wishes to thank those who so kindly assisted her on New Year's Day with the carol singers and also the citizens who so kindly responded to the efforts of the choir. Miss Lewis is very grateful for the assistance rendered and regrets her inability to personally thank all those concerned. The following statement of the receipts on New Year's Day, together with the names of the collectors, is handed out by the Land-Ed Banking & Loan Co., which had charge of the boxes:

Miss Moore, \$4.99; W. Whittle, \$13.42; Arthur W. Newton, \$13.04; Charles Camp, \$25.19; A. L. Newton, \$2.91; Arthur Kay, \$5.01; H. Hammond, \$2; Harry Moore, \$15.24; W. L. Henderson, \$3.31; Miss V. Clarke, \$12.43; Mrs. Stephenson, \$10.63; Charles Koerner, \$15.68; total, \$121.97.

Bargains in Shoes.

J. D. Clime's annual cleaning up sale will start on Tuesday. It will be a genuine one. No 10 to 99 cent trick about his sales. It will be even money and a square deal to all.

DEBATING LEAGUE.

The presidents of the Young Men's Debating Societies met last evening and presented reports from their various clubs approving of forming a Hamilton Debating League. James L. Jolley, president and E. C. Menary, acted as secretary. The eight clubs in the league are, Sodales; Barton St. Methodist; St. Paul's Guild; Y. M. C. A. Cabinet; Victoria Ave. Baptist; St. John's; Y. M. C. A. Literary; and Excelsior. The following officers were elected:

Hon. Pres.—W. M. McClelland, L.L.D. President—James L. Jolley. First Vice-President—John M. Peebles. Secretary—F. J. Findlay. Treasurer—R. J. Menary.

PARIS LICENSES.

Hockey Player Met With Accident in Game.

(Special Despatch to the Times.) Brantford, Jan. 22.—It has been announced here that the Town Council of Paris is seriously considering putting a vote to the people on the question of license reduction. The object of the by-law will be to cut off two hotel licenses, and the importance of the matter behind the scheme. At present there are